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Our new STEM elementary school needs a name, tagline and mascot.

As you know this exciting state-of-the-art STEM Grade K-5 elementary facility will be completed and ready for student learning Fall of 2017 for the 2017-18 school year. As you probably also know, it will be located on the site of the current Central campus and students from Eastlawn and Carpenter will attend this school. We are happy to report that there will be room for others who would like to school of choice and attend this exciting new STEM facility as well.

At this juncture, we have chosen three possible names, taglines and mascots and would really appreciate your input.

Would you please click on the link below and rank the choices on the survey before the end of the day on Friday (November 20). Thank you so much!

<https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/ZHSPQ3T>

CULTURAL EVENING OPPORTUNITY!

There will be a cultural experience opportunity offered for **ALL ELEMENTARY STUDENTS** on **Wednesday, November 18th from 6:30-8:30 at Adams Elementary!**

It will be open house style so students can drop in with their families for all or part of the two-hour event. This event is sponsored by Dow High International Baccalaureate Creativity/Action/Service Project students Sunny Kim, Minhyo Kang, Nisha Patel and Sam Ungerleider.

These students, along with 15 international friends, will present their countries of origin in order to teach elementary students about the world's diversity and rich cultures! There is no cost for this event, although donations to UNICEF would be appreciated (not required) at the event sign in. Enter through the main doors at Adams before entering the diverse world of countries in the gym.

In order to graduate with an IB diploma, students must complete and reflect on an action project. These students will be showcasing the clothing, food, culture, traditions and more of 15 countries! Each student who attends will receive a passport to walk through the gym and learn about each country. Kids can also experience Zumba, henna tattoos and more! It is a great chance to explore the world right here in our own backyard! These students, along with their CAS Advisor Kim McMahan, hope to see many Midland elementary students take advantage of this opportunity. If students are from another country, have heritage from another country, or have visited another country, they are encouraged to wear that country's clothing to the event!



Thank you
H. H. Dow
High Varsity
Football

Team and Coaches for
an exciting 2015
football season.

Way to go
Chargers!



Best wishes
to all of the
Midland High
students and
staff performing at

Friday's (11/20)
Rhapsody
Rendezvous at
the Midland Cen-
ter for the Arts.



We know it will be a
wonderful evening!



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Let's Connect!

MPS Shining Star Nominations are now being accepted for MPS staff members who you feel make MPS a better place for students. Please take a moment to nominate an MPS staff member today. <http://midps.org/shiningstarform>

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Chestnut Hill Elem.	923-6634
Eastlawn Elementary	923-7112
Plymouth Elem.	923-7616
Siebert Elementary	923-7835
Woodcrest Elem.	923-7940
Jefferson Middle	923-5873
Northeast Middle	923-5772
H. H. Dow High	923-5382
Midland High	923-5181

"pearls" of wisdom ...

"You can't use up creativity. The more you use, the more you have."
— Maya Angelou

"If you hear a voice within you say 'you cannot paint,' then by all means paint, and that voice will be silenced."
— Vincent Van Gogh



Congratulations to Northeast teacher, **Keith Seybert**, for receiving the "Outstanding Educator" award by the ARC of Midland. His dedication and commitment to working with individuals with intellectual and physical disabilities was recognized on November 10 at a special dinner and awards presentation. **Congratulations Mr. Seybert!**

Congratulations to Dow High's Vrushangi Shah who was named DAR Good Citizen of the Year for the local DAR Chapter which includes area schools from Midland, Saginaw and Gladwin Counties. Her essay and application will go on to the State level. Congratulations Vrushangi!



Kudos to the Chemic Drama Department for last week's great performances of "To Kill a Mockingbird."



Plymouth Remembers Our Veterans

Plymouth Elementary celebrated Veteran's Day last week with a little white table. The little white table is to remember our veterans held prisoner of war or missing in action.

Ms. Markey's first grade class sat around our display while Mrs. Shoemaker read a book called "America's White Table" by Margot Theis Raven.



The children listened and learned that the "white table" originated during the time of the Vietnam War and has been set across America in mess halls and at military events for almost 30 years.

Oh how we love to hear about the great work being done by MPS alumni

From ABC10up.com... Michigan Tech Associate Professor, Dr. Joshua Pearce, responded to a letter sent by British Columbian native Eric Friesen. Friesen, who is helping kids in underserved parts of the world (like Nicaragua) by making prosthetic hands with 3-D printers, was having a very difficult time getting a filament. Jill Poliskey, a 2015 graduate from Dow High (first year materials Science and Engineering student at Michigan Tech) is working on the research of materials that will be available for use in Nicaragua. Click on this link for more amazing information about this work making a difference in our world!



<http://abc10up.com/u-p-3d-printer-helps-children-in-nicaragua/>

Congratulations again to Chestnut Hill for the National Blue Ribbon Award they received in Washington DC last week.



How exciting to see Tracy, Margaret and Amanda receive this award in DC live and represent MPS so proudly. Kudos Chestnut Hill!

Our Dow High Girls Cross Country team finished 19th at the State meet on November 7 at Michigan International Speedway. Emily Wall was the top finisher for the Dow team.



The DHS lady swim team won its 10th straight SVL championship recently. The entire team and coaches worked hard over the season to achieve the SVL Championship. Great job!



Congratulations to Dow High's Nehemiah Mork who signed with Michigan State University last week. Nehemiah will swim with the Spartans in the fall of 2016!

